Area planted by rubber.

522. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what is the extent of the area planted by rubber;

(b) and how much of them are owned by non-Cochinites?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon:—(a) 13,891·3 acres.

(b) 12, 891·3 acres.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know whether the extent of the land mentioned here are lands leased by the Government or assessed by them?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—Leased by the Government.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know whether there are no lands which have been assessed on which rubber has been planted.

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—No assigned lands.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Whether rubber has not been as a matter of fact planted in areas not leased by the Government?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—There are some private lands.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Has the Government given remission of tax to these lands where rubber has been cultivated?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—They have given remission. They have reduced the assessment.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know the extent of the private lands in which rubber has been planted?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—I have no information.

Anchal Superintendent.

523. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) for what length of time Mr. Chandy had been the Superintendent of Anchals;

(b) who were his successors in office and how long each of his successors held the office; why they ceased to be Superintendents;

(c) what was the office held by them prior to their becoming Superintendents?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—(a) 21 and odd years.

(b) Messrs. (1) K. Kochunny Menon, (2) A. P. Anthony, (3) V. Achyuta Menon, (4) T. P. Damodaran Unni and (5) C. Ramankutty Menon. Of these, numbers 1 and 2 ceased to be Superintendents by their transfer as Devaswam Commissioner and Superintendent of Registration respectively, and numbers 3 and 4 by retirement consequent on superannuation. Number 5 is still continuing in his post.

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